

# KanCare Ombudsman Report

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## I. Highlights/Dashboard

#### A. Increased calls for Topeka office

Topeka office is significantly up in calls while Wichita is significantly down in calls. This is due to a new staff person in Wichita. During her several weeks of training and prior to her being hired, extra calls were sent to the Topeka office.

Contacts by Office	Q1/18	Q2/18	Q3/18	Q4/18	Q1/19	Q2/19	Q3/19
Main - Topeka	772	619	491	546	561	620	733
Olathe	68	81	223	177	166	213	212
Wichita	374	359	371	401	333	264	126
Total	1,214	1,059	1,085	1,124	1,060	1,097	1,071

#### B. Divided Issues Category into three sections (pages 13-15)

To make it easier for staff, volunteers and stakeholders to review issues the office is contacted about, we have divided the **Issues Category** into three sections:

- Medicaid Issues
- Home and Community Based Services/Long Term Services (HCBS/LTS) Long term services would include nursing facilities
- Other issues to help better understand concerns that may be related to Medicaid.

#### C. New data being tracked

- Program Type: five new program types tracked (page 12)
- Issues Category/Medicaid Issues: Seven new issues tracked (page 14)
- Issues Category/Other Issues: six new issues tracked (page 15)

## D. New Data Category - Tracking cases with priority codes - as needed (page 13)

The Ombudsman Office is tracking these priorities for two purposes:

- This allows our staff and volunteers to pull up pending cases, review their status and possibly request an update from the partnering organization that we have requested assistance from.
- This helps provide information on the more complex cases that are worked by the Ombudsman Office.

The priorities are:

- Home and Community Based Services HCBS
- Long Term Services/Nursing Facility LTS/NF
- Urgent Medical Need UMN
- Urgent
- Life Threatening

## II. KanCare Ombudsman Purpose

The KanCare Ombudsman Office helps Kansas Medicaid beneficiaries and applicants, with a primary focus on individuals participating in the HCBS waiver program or receiving other long-term care services through KanCare.

The KanCare Ombudsman Office assists KanCare beneficiaries and applicants with access, service and benefit problems. The office:

- assists KanCare members with seeking resolution to complaints or concerns regarding their interaction with their KanCare plan.
- helps applicants with information, resources and in-person assistance with the KanCare application and renewal process
- provides information about the KanCare grievance and appeal process that is available through the KanCare plans and the State fair hearing process

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services <u>Special terms and Conditions (2019)</u>, <u>Section 42</u> for KanCare, provides the KanCare Ombudsman program description and objectives.

This quarterly report provides updates about the KanCare Ombudsman Office activities (see the Outreach and Education section) and data information collected (starting on page 8) as the office works to serve Kansans, both beneficiaries and organizations connected to the KanCare program.

## III. Accessibility by Ombudsman's Office

#### A. Initial Contacts

The KanCare Ombudsman office was contacted by members and applicants of KanCare (Medicaid) by phone, email, written communication, and in person during third quarter of 2019. The initial contacts have averaged over 1,000 for the last two years.

Initial Contacts	Qtr. 1	Qtr. 2	Qtr. 3	Qtr. 4
2014	545	474	526	547
2015	510	462	579	524
2016	1,130	846	687	523
2017	825	835	970	1,040
2018	1,214	1,059	1,088	1,124
2019	1,060	1,097	1,071	

#### B. Accessibility through the KanCare Ombudsman Volunteer Program

Both KanCare Ombudsman Satellite offices (in Olathe and Wichita) answer KanCare questions and help with issues as well as assist with filling out KanCare applications and providing assistance on grievances, appeals and fair hearings on the phone and in person at the offices. The Satellite offices coverage is listed below.

	Volunteer Hours	# of Volunteers	# of hours covered/wk.	Area Codes covered
Olathe Satellite Office	M: 9am-4pm T:9am-4pm W:10am-3pm Th: 9am-12:30pm F: 9am-12:30pm	5	26	913, 785, 816
Wichita Satellite Office	M: 9am-1pm T: 10am-2pm W: 1:30-3:30pm Th: 10am-2pm F: 9am-4:30pm	5	21.5	316, 620

Information as of 10/17/19

The KanCare Ombudsman volunteers receive 30 hours of initial training and mentoring plus additional ongoing education. They have a variety of work history backgrounds; most are retired, many have a history of volunteering before and/or after retiring.

- Retired US Marine Corps Administration
- Retired Registered Nurse; many volunteer activities including Red Cross disaster team
- Retired management with major corporation and past CASA volunteer
- Retired Teacher and Small Business Owner
- Retired Teacher and School Principle
- Retired Pastor
- Retired law enforcement; volunteered with search and rescue team
- Variety of administrative positions; works part time; has been a volunteer longterm care Ombudsman for a local nursing facility.
- Retired PICU nurse
- Social Work Student

## IV. Outreach by Ombudsman's office

The KanCare Ombudsman Office is responsible to help beneficiaries understand the KanCare system and provide training and outreach to community organizations to directly help beneficiaries. The office does this through education and training.

#### A. Outreach through Collaboration and Education

The Ombudsman office provided 6 educational outreach events during third quarter. The highlight was the Kansas Midwest Ability Summit in Overland Park in August.

#### B. Outreach through Publications

The KanCare Ombudsman office provided three publication outreaches during third quarter. One example was providing an advertisement in the Golden Years Newspaper for Franklin, Osage, Anderson, Linn, and Coffey Counties for the July, August, and September 2019 editions.

#### C. Outreach through Collaboration and Training

The KanCare Ombudsman office provided seven outreaches to community partners during third quarter, including event booths for all MCO training and KanCare Ombudsman Liaison training.

For the full listing see Appendix A

#### V. Data by Ombudsman Office

The data for the KanCare Ombudsman Office includes data by region, office location, contact method, caller type, program type, issue category, action taken and priority.

#### A. Data by Region

#### 1. Initial Contacts to KanCare Ombudsman Office by Region

The KanCare Ombudsman coverage is divided into four regions. The map directly below shows the counties included in each region. The north/south dividing line is based on the state area codes coverage (785 and 620).

- 785, 913 and 816 area code calls go to the Olathe Satellite office.
- 316 and 620 area code calls go to the Wichita Satellite office.
- The remaining calls, direct calls and complex calls go to the Topeka (main) office.



Most calls are coming from the east side of the state which also ties to the Medicaid members within the state (see chart below) and the population density of Kansas (see page 9).

**Ombudsman Office Calls by Region** 

Region	Q1/18	Q2/18	Q3/18	Q4/18	Q1/19	Q2/19	Q3/19	
Northeast	157	220	238	187	183	210	174	
Southeast	59	135	163	244	205	129	126	
Northwest	14	16	10	14	7	20	11	
Southwest	14	18	14	29	19	24	17	
Out of State	14	17	21	17	16	8	4	
Not Identified	955	653	639	633	630	706	739	
Total	1,213	1,059	1,085	1,124	1,060	1,097	1,071	

#### 2. KanCare/Medicaid Members by Region

This chart shows the KanCare/Medicaid population by the KanCare Ombudsman regions. The majority of the Medicaid population is located in the eastern two regions.

Medicaid

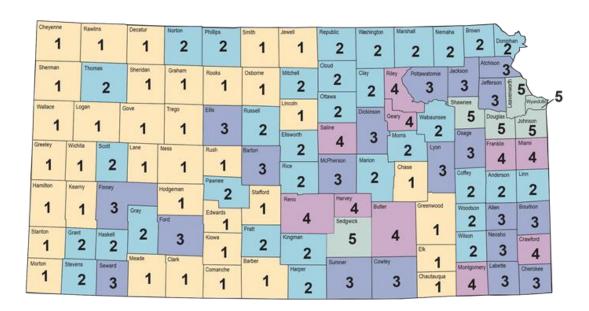
Region	Q4/18	Q1/19	Q2/19	Q3/19
Northeast	194,798	205,267	179,011	188,184
Southeast	175,370	185,683	160,821	169,598
Northwest	12,488	13,240	11,575	12,163
Southwest	38,023	40,073	34,613	36,291
Total	420,679	444,263	386,020	406,236

Data as of end of September 2019

#### 3. Kansas Population Density

This chart shows the population density of Kansas and helps in understanding why most of the Medicaid population and KanCare Ombudsman calls are from the eastern part of Kansas.

Based on 2015 Census data – <a href="www.KCDCinfo.ks.gov">www.KCDCinfo.ks.gov</a> Kansas Population Density map using number of people per square mile (ppsm)



- 5 Urban 150+ ppsm
- 4 Semi-Urban 40-149.9 ppsm
- 3 Densely-Settled Rural 20 to 39.9 ppsm
- 2 Rural 6 to 19.9 ppsm
- 1 Frontier less than 6 ppsm

#### B. Data by Office Location

Initial phone calls to the KanCare Ombudsman toll-free number (1-855-643-8180) are sent directly to one of three KanCare Ombudsman offices based on the area code the call is coming from. Olathe receives 913, 785 and 816 area code calls. Wichita receives 620 and 316 area code calls. All other toll-free calls go to the Main office (Topeka). People also may call all three offices directly; the direct phone numbers for the satellite offices are listed on the KanCare Ombudsman webpage, Contact Us.

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#### C. Data by Contact Method

There is a new listing below called Social Media. Since the KanCare Ombudsman office is on Facebook, we anticipate there may be instances when people will contact us for help through Facebook.

Face-to-face contacts are usually through:

- walk-in assistance at the satellite offices in Olathe and Wichita.
- Assistance to Kansas Department of Aging and Disability Services (KDADS)
   walk-ins in Topeka who need help with Medicaid related questions.
- people with personal concerns who attend KanCare public meetings. The KanCare Ombudsman office tries to attend most of these and be available to answer individual questions/issues that may come up.

Contact Method	Q1/18	Q2/18	Q3/18	Q4/18	Q1/19	Q2/19	Q3/19
Telephone	1,090	930	909	939	898	948	956
Email	112	119	153	161	152	138	107
Letter	2	1	2	3	1	5	2
Face-to-Face Meeting	7	9	22	20	12	6	5
Other	2	0	2	1	5	0	0
Social Media	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
CONTACT METHOD TOTAL	1,213	1,059	1,088	1,124	1,068	1,097	1,071

#### D. Data by Caller Type

Most contacts are consumers which includes beneficiaries, family member, friend, etc. The "Other type" callers are usually state employees, lawyers, schools, and students/researchers looking for data.

Provider issues are a combination of providers calling to assist a member or applicant having issues, or provider billing issues which we forward to KDHE.

Caller Type	Q1/18	Q2/18	Q3/18	Q4/18	Q1/19	Q2/19	Q3/19
Provider	96	81	99	93	93	69	112
Consumer	1,065	943	899	977	920	939	901
MCO Employee	6	4	5	4	8	11	1
Other Type	46	31	85	50	47	78	57
CALLER TYPE TOTAL	1,213	1,059	1,088	1,124	1,068	1,097	1,071

#### E. Data by Program Type

The top program types that we receive calls for are three of the Home and Community Based Services waivers (Physical Disability, Intellectual/Developmental Disability, and Frail Elderly) and nursing facility concerns.

Five program types have been added (highlighted in gray):

- Foster Care
- MediKan
- Institutional Transition from
  - Long Term Care/Nursing Facility (LTC/NF)
  - Mental Health/Behavioral Health (MH/BH)
  - o Prison/Jail

PROGRAM TYPE	Q1/18	Q2/18	Q3/18	Q4/18	Q1/19	Q2/19	Q3/19
PD	51	27	28	37	40	32	21
I/DD	29	27	36	32	30	36	37
FE	27	22	30	31	25	20	43
AUTISM	1	1	2	4	3	4	1
SED	9	2	8	7	5	7	13
TBI	7	10	9	6	13	11	7
TA	5	3	7	3	5	7	7
WH	5	4	6	5	2	5	1
PACE	0	0	0	0	2	1	2
MENTAL HEALTH	2	1	3	2	2	5	2
SUB USE DIS	0	0	0	0	1	0	2
NURSING FACILITY	47	39	28	41	33	27	27
FOSTER CARE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MEDIKAN	0	0	0	0	0	0	9
INSTITUTIONAL TRANSITION FROM LTC/NF	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
INSTITUTIONAL TRANSITION FROM MH/BH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
INSTITUTIONAL TRANSITION FROM PRISON/JAIL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PROGRAM TYPE TOTAL	184	136	157	168	161	155	173

#### F. **NEW!** Data by Priorities

This is new data that is now available. The Ombudsman Office is tracking priorities for two purposes:

- 1. This allows our staff and volunteers to pull up pending cases, review their status and possibly request an update from the partnering organization that we have requested assistance from.
- 2. This helps provide information on the more complex cases that are worked by the Ombudsman Office.

The priorities are defined as follows:

- HCBS Home and Community Based Services
- Long Term Care/NF Long Term Care/Nursing Facility
- Urgent Medical Need 1) there is a medical need, 2) if the need is not resolved in 5-10 days, the person could end up in the hospital.
- Urgent non-medical need that needs to be resolved in the next 7-10 days; could be eviction from home or nursing facility or urgent financial.
- Life Threatening If not resolved in 1-4 days person's life could be endangered. (should not be used very often.)

Priorities	Q3/19
HCBS	64
Long Term Care /NF	15
Urgent Medical Need	23
Urgent	36
Life Threatening	9
Total	147

There may be multiple selections for a member/contact.

#### G. Data by Issue Categories

The Issue Categories have been divided into three groups for easier tracking and reporting purposes. The three groups are:

- Medicaid Issues
- Home and Community Based Services/Long Term Services (HCBS/LTSS),
- Other Issues.

**Other Issues** may be Medicaid related but are tied to a non-Medicaid program or issue that is worthy of tracking.

#### 1. Medicaid Issues

Seven issues were added to this section and are highlighted in gray. The top issues are still application assistance, eligibility and renewal issues. Billing issues jumped from 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter to 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter.

MEDICAID ISSUES	Q1/18	Q2/18	Q3/18	Q4/18	Q1/19	Q2/19	Q3/19
Access to Providers (usually Medical)	4	2	8	10	11	14	26
Appeals/Fair Hearing questions/issues	46	26	38	16	17	12	10
Background Checks	4	0	1	0	2	1	0
Billing	40	26	33	19	30	29	54
Care Coordinator Issues	10	11	7	14	18	5	15
Change MCO	12	7	5	37	12	10	4
Choice Info on MCO	3	3	3	20	7	8	3
Coding Issues	32	9	11	21	15	11	9
Consumer said Notice not received	16	6	15	13	6	7	3
Cultural Competency	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Data Requests	3	2	4	0	2	4	0
Dental	10	9	6	7	11	6	6
Division of Assets	10	3	5	11	8	11	13
Durable Medical Equipment	1	4	9	13	4	5	3
Grievances Questions/Issues	28	35	23	12	12	19	26
Help understanding mail (NOA)	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
MCO transition	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Medicaid Application Assistance	185	135	144	174	171	137	130
Medicaid Eligibility Issues	209	219	183	187	152	145	147
Medicaid Fraud	3	2	2	5	1	4	3
Medicaid General Issues/questions	63	186	200	256	273	254	183
Medicaid info (status) update	210	217	196	187	124	175	149
Medicaid Renewal	103	58	39	24	56	119	84
Medical Card issues	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Medicare Savings Plan Issues	19	17	20	25	22	29	62
MediKan issues	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Moving to / from Kansas	16	14	21	19	20	17	18
Medical Services	23	27	11	13	18	10	13
Pain management issues	0	0	0	1	5	1	0
Pharmacy	16	1	2	11	18	16	10
Pregnancy issues	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Prior authorization issues	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Refugee/Immigration/SOBRA issues	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Respite	0	1	0	1	1	0	0
Spend Down Issues	28	32	24	28	29	21	34
Transportation	16	10	9	12	11	9	14
Working Healthy	3	6	8	9	3	5	5
MEDICAID ISSUES TOTAL	1,113	1,068	1,027	1,145	1,059	1,084	1,043

#### 2. HCBS/LTSS Issues

The top two issues for this group are Nursing Facility issues and HCBS General Issues. (HCBS stands for Home and Community Based Services)

HCBS/LTSS ISSUES	Q1/18	Q2/18	Q3/18	Q4/18	Q1/19	Q2/19	Q3/19
Client Obligation	53	35	24	27	22	19	27
Estate Recovery	10	4	10	8	4	9	10
HCBS Eligibility issues	46	28	37	34	35	33	46
HCBS General Issues	36	35	60	49	62	47	65
HCBS Reduction in hours of service	7	2	3	2	6	3	3
HCBS Waiting List	4	4	4	10	6	7	8
Nursing Facility Issues	20	19	23	24	36	39	54
HCBS/LTSS ISSUES TOTAL	176	127	161	154	171	157	213

There may be multiple selections for a member/contact.

#### 3. Other Issues

There are six new issues created during this quarter (highlighted in gray) to help better understand concerns that may be *related* to Medicaid.

OTHER ISSUES	Q1/18	Q2/18	Q3/18	Q4/18	Q1/19	Q2/19	Q3/19
Abuse / neglect complaints	10	10	7	2	8	6	4
ADA Concerns	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Adoption issues	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Affordable Care Act Calls	15	12	9	8	5	5	3
Community Resources needed	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Domestic Violence concerns	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Foster Care issues	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Guardianship	3	6	5	5	1	1	2
Homelessness	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Housing Issues	7	8	7	4	5	5	7
Medicare related Issues	17	23	26	31	18	15	18
Social Security Issues	9	13	12	24	16	15	19
Used Interpreter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
X-Other	213	114	132	135	134	119	114
Z Thank you	558	510	482	498	408	399	349
Z Unspecified	78	68	72	80	97	110	137
OTHER ISSUES TOTAL	910	764	752	787	692	675	660

There may be multiple selections for a member/contact.

## H. Data by Managed Care Organization - See Appendix B

(pages 21-29)

#### VI. Action Taken

This section reflects the action taken by the KanCare Ombudsman Office and the related organizations assisting the KanCare Ombudsman Office. This section shows data on:

- response rates for the KanCare Ombudsman office
- response rates to resolve the question/concern for related organizations that are asked to assist by the Ombudsman office
- how contacts are resolved

#### A. Responding to Issues

## 1. Ombudsman Office response to members/applicants

The Ombudsman Office goal is to respond to a contact within two business days. Third quarter response within 0-2 days increased by four percentage points.

		<u>%</u> Responded	<u>%</u> Responded	% Response
Quarter yr.	Nbr. Contacts	<u>0-2 Days</u>	in 3-7 Days	8 or More Days
Q1/2018	1,213	82%	17%	1%
Q2/2018	1,059	90%	10%	1%
Q3/2018	1,088	87%	12%	1%
Q4/2018	1,124	86%	14%	0%
Q1/2019	1,068	88%	11%	1%
Q2/2019	1,096	91%	8%	1%
Q3/2019	1,070	95%	4%	1%

Chart reflects calendar day response time.

## 2. Organizational response to Ombudsman requests

The KanCare Ombudsman office sends requests for review and assistance to various KanCare/related organizations. The following information provides data on the resolution rate for issues that have been referred.

Q3, 2019

Q3, 2019		1	ı		
		% Resolved	% Resolved	<u>%</u> Resolved	% Resolved
Nbr Referrals	Referred to	<u>0-2 Days</u>	3-7 Days	<u>7-30</u> Days	31 or More Days
94	Clearinghouse	62%	22%	14%	2%
3	DCF	0%	100%	0%	0%
2	KDADS-Behavior Health	50%	50%	0%	0%
9	KDADS-HCBS	89%	11%	0%	0%
2	KDADS-Health Occ. Cred.	100%	0%	0%	0%
11	KDHE-Eligibility	82%	9%	9%	0%
5	KDHE-Program Staff	40%	40%	20%	0%
9	KDHE-Provider Contact	67%	22%	11%	0%
1	KMAP	100%	0%	0%	0%
11	Aetna	64%	9%	18%	9%
2	Amerigroup	100%	0%	0%	0%
8	Sunflower	63%	25%	13%	0%
6	UnitedHealthcare	67%	33%	0%	0%

#### B. Resolving requests

#### 1. Action Taken by KanCare Ombudsman Office to resolve requests

86% (or 4 out of 5) of initial calls were resolved by providing some type of resource, for example the KanCare Ombudsman office contacted another organization to resolve the issue, shared resources through mailings, provided referrals to other organizations, etc.

Note: The totals will not match "Initial Contacts chart" because not all cases are closed at the end of the quarter. This must be filled in before closing a case.

Action Taken Resolution Type	Q1/18	Q2/18	Q3/18	Q4/18	Q1/19	Q2/19	Q3/19
Questions/Issue Resolved (No Resources)	105	69	76	106	94	85	68
Used Contact or Resources/Issue Resolved	766	675	776	874	837	871	906
Closed (No Contact)	101	133	115	134	126	122	74
ACTION TAKEN RESOLUTION TYPE TOTAL	972	877	967	1,114	1,057	1,078	1,048

There may be multiple selections for a member/contact

#### 2. Referred Beneficiary to an Organization for Assistance

This chart provides information on when our office tells a member, "This is who you need to call and here is the phone number." It may also be used if we contact an organization that is not listed in the section to track dates. This is usually "State or Community Agency."

Action Taken Refer Caller to Organization	Q4/18	Q1/19	Q2/19	Q3/19
Clearinghouse	316	249	283	257
KDADS-Behavior Health	0	1	3	1
KDADS-HCBS	18	22	15	13
KDADS-Health Occ. Cred.	0	1	1	4
KDHE	18	12	13	13
KMAP	9	8	0	7
DCF	10	3	2	1
Aetna	11	18	4	13
Amerigroup	19	1	0	2
Sunflower	23	19	9	15
UnitedHealthcare	20	24	13	5
State or Community Agency	142	121	84	57
Disability Rights and/or KLS	9	8	2	3
ACTION TAKEN REFER CALLER TO ORGANIZATION TOTAL	595	487	429	391

#### 3. Ombudsman Office Resolution of Issues

The average days to close/resolve an issue remained relatively the same over the last four quarters. The improvement in 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter, 2018 was due to clarification for staff and volunteers to close a case based on resolution date or if no response, on the date last contacted. Prior to this, cases were closed by many at the end of the quarter when I sent out the reminder to close cases.

The percentage for closing cases in 8 or more days increased by three percentage points. Our office believes this is due, in part, by more complex calls coming to the Ombudsman Office.

Quarter yr.	Nbr. Contacts	Avg Days To Complete	% Completed 0-2 Days	% Completed in 3-7 Days	% Completed 8 or More Days
Q1/2018	1,069	12	56%	17%	28%
Q2/2018	1,036	10	60%	13%	27%
Q3/2018	1,043	4	72%	17%	11%
Q4/2018	1,107	4	71%	18%	11%
Q1/2019	1,051	5	71%	17%	13%
Q2/2019	1,018	4	75%	13%	13%
Q3/2019	982	4	76%	10%	14%

#### VII. Enhancements or New Activities

The enhancement for third quarter:

- Additional data tracked starting part-way through third quarter.
  - New data section called Priorities (page 13-top of page).
  - Issues Category now in three parts: Medicaid Issues, HCBS/LTSS Issues, and Other Issues
  - Several new items listed under the Issues Category (pages 13-15)

## VIII. Appendix A - Outreach by Ombudsman's office

This is a listing of the KanCare Ombudsman Outreach to members and community by way of participation in conferences where members and/or providers attend, newsletters, social media, training events, public comments sessions by the state for KanCare related issues, etc.

#### A. Outreach through Collaboration and Education

This outreach includes Community Events/Presentations such as education, networking and referrals.

- Midwest Ability Summit event booth (Overland Park, KS) (August 24, 2019)
- KU Volunteer Fair event booth (Lawrence, KS) (August 26, 2019)
- Together We Can Learn event booth (Overland Park, KS) (September 28, 2019)
- Kansas Midwest Ability Summit event booth (Overland Park, KS) (8-24-19)
- Community Block Party at The Center event booth (Sept 7, 2019) (Wichita)

#### B. Outreach through Print Media and Social Media

- Golden Years Newspaper (Counties: Franklin, Osage, Anderson, Linn, Coffey)
   (July, August, September 2019)
- Provided brochures and applications to two Wichita community organizations (Aug 2019)
- Facebook posts on the KanCare Ombudsman Facebook approximately 1-2 a week during quarter.

## C. Outreach through Collaboration and Training

- Participating in MCO Training- event booth (Olathe, KS July 16, 2019) (Wichita, KS July 10, 2019)
- KanCare Application Training Victory Hills Assisted Living (Kansas City, KS) (August 22, 2019)
- Medicaid Liaison Training; Marion County Department on Aging and other community organization staff members from surrounding counties; 7-30-19 (Newton, KS) (Harvey Co.) (In-person training):
- Medicaid Liaison Training; Cloud Co. Health Dept. and other community organization staff members from surrounding counties; 8-1-19 (Concordia, KS) (Cloud Co.) (In-person training)
- Medicaid Liaison Training; Phillips County Retirement Center and other community organization staff members from surrounding counties; 9-6-19 (Phillipsburg, KS) (Phillips Co.) (In-person training)
- Kansas Conference on Poverty event booth (Topeka, KS) (7-17-19 & 7-18-19)

## IX. Appendix B – Information by Managed Care Organization

## A. Aetna-Issue Categories

MEDICAID ISSUES	Q1/19	Q2/19	Q3/19
Access to Providers (usually Medical)	2	2	4
Appeals/Fair Hearing questions/issues	0	1	1
Background Checks	0	0	0
Billing	3	0	5
Care Coordinator Issues	10	1	4
Change MCO	4	3	2
Choice Info on MCO	2	0	2
Coding Issues	1	0	1
Consumer said Notice not received	0	1	0
Cultural Competency	0	0	0
Data Requests	0	0	0
Dental	3	0	2
Division of Assets	0	0	0
Durable Medical Equipment	1	2	2
Grievances Questions/Issues	2	2	4
Help understanding mail (NOA)	0	0	0
MCO transition	0	0	1
Medicaid Application Assistance	2	1	1
Medicaid Eligibility Issues	5	7	2
Medicaid Fraud	0	0	0
Medicaid General Issues/questions	16	18	5
Medicaid info (status) update	4	1	3
Medicaid Renewal	1	12	3
Medical Card issues	0	0	0
Medicare Savings Plan Issues	2	1	0
MediKan issues	0	0	0
Moving to / from Kansas	0	0	1
Medical Services	3	4	4
Pain management issues	0	1	0
Pharmacy	4	3	1
Pregnancy issues	0	0	0
Prior authorization issues	0	0	0
Refugee/Immigration/SOBRA issues	0	0	0
Respite	0	0	0
Spend Down Issues	1	3	2
Transportation	4	0	4
Working Healthy	0	0	0
MEDICAID ISSUES TOTAL	70	63	54

HCBS/LTSS ISSUES	Q1/19	Q2/19	Q3/19
Client Obligation	2	3	2
Estate Recovery	0	0	0
HCBS Eligibility issues	5	3	3
HCBS General Issues	7	5	7
HCBS Reduction in hours of service	0	0	1
HCBS Waiting List	2	0	0
Nursing Facility Issues	0	1	3
HCBS/LTSS ISSUES TOTAL	16	12	16

OTHER ISSUES	Q1/19	Q2/19	Q3/19
Abuse / neglect complaints	0	0	0
ADA Concerns	0	0	0
Adoption issues	0	0	0
Affordable Care Act Calls	0	0	0
Community Resources needed	0	0	0
Domestic Violence concerns	0	0	0
Foster Care issues	0	0	0
Guardianship	0	0	0
Homelessness	0	0	0
Housing Issues	0	0	1
Medicare related Issues	0	1	4
Social Security Issues	1	1	0
Used Interpreter	0	0	0
X-Other	14	6	6
Z Thank you	26	32	27
Z Unspecified	1	1	3
Health Homes	0	0	0
OTHER ISSUES TOTAL	42	41	41

## B. Aetna-Program Type

PROGRAM TYPE	Q1/19	Q2/19	Q3/19
PD	3	2	1
I/DD	1	4	2
FE	2	1	3
AUTISM	0	0	0
SED	0	1	0
TBI	2	3	2
TA	2	1	2
WH	0	0	0
MFP	0	0	0
PACE	0	0	0
MENTAL HEALTH	0	0	2
SUB USE DIS	0	0	0
NURSING FACILITY	0	2	1
FOSTER CARE	0	0	0
MEDIKAN	0	0	0
INSTITUTIONAL TRANSITION FROM LTC/NF	0	0	0
INSTITUTIONAL TRANSITION FROM MH/BH	0	0	0
INSTITUTIONAL TRANSITION FROM PRISON/JAIL	0	0	0
PROGRAM TYPE TOTAL	10	14	13

## C. Sunflower-Issue Category

MEDICAID ISSUES	Q1/18	Q2/18	Q3/18	Q4/18	Q1/19	Q2/19	Q3/19
Access to Providers (usually Medical)	3	1	4	5	4	3	5
Appeals/Fair Hearing	0	4	5	0	1	3	0
questions/issues	U	4	5	U	I	3	0
Background Checks	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Billing	8	6	6	2	4	7	6
Care Coordinator Issues	2	2	0	2	2	4	5
Change MCO	3	2	1	3	2	1	1
Choice Info on MCO	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
Coding Issues	7	2	1	5	4	3	0
Consumer said Notice not received	1	2	3	4	0	0	0
Cultural Competency	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Data Requests	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dental	3	1	0	4	0	2	0
Division of Assets	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Durable Medical Equipment	1	1	0	2	0	0	0
Grievances Questions/Issues	2	5	5	4	0	6	6
Help understanding mail (NOA)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MCO transition	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Medicaid Application Assistance	2	2	0	1	1	0	1
Medicaid Eligibility Issues	8	13	10	11	14	5	3
Medicaid Fraud	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Medicaid General Issues/questions	7	9	13	17	18	6	7
Medicaid info (status) update	7	5	9	5	4	8	4
Medicaid Renewal	3	6	4	4	4	10	6
Medical Card issues	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Medicare Savings Plan Issues	2	2	3	0	0	0	2
MediKan issues	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Moving to / from Kansas	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
Medical Services	4	4	0	3	5	3	2
Pain management issues	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Pharmacy	2	0	0	5	6	2	0
Pregnancy issues	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Prior authorization issues	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Refugee/Immigration/SOBRA issues	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Respite	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Spend Down Issues	0	3	1	3	2	0	3
Transportation	2	1	1	2	2	1	2
Working Healthy	0	1	1	1	1	0	1
MEDICAID ISSUES TOTAL	70	72	67	86	77	65	56

HCBS/LTSS ISSUES	Q1/18	Q2/18	Q3/18	Q4/18	Q1/19	Q2/19	Q3/19
Client Obligation	5	3	4	1	1	0	4
Estate Recovery	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
HCBS Eligibility issues	8	5	8	3	5	5	6
HCBS General Issues	12	3	9	8	7	9	6
HCBS Reduction in hours of service	1	0	0	1	2	1	0
HCBS Waiting List	0	0	0	1	1	1	1
Nursing Facility Issues	1	0	3	0	0	1	1
HCBS/LTSS ISSUES TOTAL	27	11	24	14	16	17	18

OTHER ISSUES	Q1/18	Q2/18	Q3/18	Q4/18	Q1/19	Q2/19	Q3/19
Abuse / neglect complaints	2	0	0	1	0	0	1
ADA Concerns	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Adoption issues	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Affordable Care Act Calls	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
Community Resources needed	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Domestic Violence concerns	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Foster Care issues	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Guardianship	0	1	1	1	0	0	0
Homelessness	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Housing Issues	1	0	0	2	0	0	0
Medicare related Issues	0	3	3	2	1	0	0
Social Security Issues	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
Used Interpreter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
X-Other	8	9	8	15	10	8	5
Z Thank you	49	27	49	41	34	29	23
Z Unspecified	0	2	0	5	3	4	2
Health Homes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OTHER ISSUES TOTAL	61	42	62	68	48	42	31

## D. Sunflower-Program Type

PROGRAM TYPE	Q1/18	Q2/18	Q3/18	Q4/18	Q1/19	Q2/19	Q3/19
PD	13	5	7	6	2	5	5
I/DD	5	3	4	3	5	4	4
FE	5	2	0	2	3	2	6
AUTISM	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
SED	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
TBI	1	0	3	3	4	2	0
TA	2	0	0	0	1	0	2
WH	1	1	1	0	1	1	0
MFP	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
PACE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MENTAL HEALTH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SUB USE DIS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NURSING FACILITY	4	1	3	0	0	1	0
FOSTER CARE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MEDIKAN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
INSTITUTIONAL TRANSITION FROM LTC/NF	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
INSTITUTIONAL TRANSITION FROM MH/BH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
INSTITUTIONAL TRANSITION FROM PRISON/JAIL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PROGRAM TYPE TOTAL	32	12	20	15	16	15	18

## E. UnitedHealthcare-Issue Category

MEDICAID ISSUES	Q1/18	Q2/18	Q3/18	Q4/18	Q1/19	Q2/19	Q3/19
Access to Providers (usually Medical)	0	0	0	0	2	2	4
Appeals/Fair Hearing	1	2	5	2	1	1	1
questions/issues	4	2	5	2	1	I	Ţ
Background Checks	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Billing	6	3	9	2	1	2	4
Care Coordinator Issues	4	4	3	4	5	0	1
Change MCO	2	1	0	3	2	3	0
Choice Info on MCO	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
Coding Issues	2	0	1	3	3	1	1
Consumer said Notice not received	0	0	1	2	0	0	1
Cultural Competency	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Data Requests	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Dental	0	1	0	2	3	1	1
Division of Assets	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Durable Medical Equipment	0	0	0	1	2	1	1
Grievances Questions/Issues	3	3	4	0	4	0	2
Help understanding mail (NOA)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MCO transition	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Medicaid Application Assistance	4	4	1	6	2	0	0
Medicaid Eligibility Issues	11	14	10	9	11	9	4
Medicaid Fraud	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Medicaid General Issues/questions	4	7	10	18	20	10	10
Medicaid info (status) update	4	9	4	2	9	10	3
Medicaid Renewal	7	6	3	3	2	6	3
Medical Card issues	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Medicare Savings Plan Issues	4	1	1	1	0	0	1
MediKan issues	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Moving to / from Kansas	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
Medical Services	2	7	6	3	2	0	1
Pain management issues	0	0	0	1	2	0	0
Pharmacy	4	1	0	3	2	4	3
Pregnancy issues	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Prior authorization issues	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Refugee/Immigration/SOBRA issues	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Respite	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Spend Down Issues	3	7	6	4	4	2	1
Transportation	6	2	2	0	1	2	1
Working Healthy	0	0	1	1	0	1	0
MEDICAID ISSUES TOTAL	72	74	68	73	78	57	45

HCBS/LTSS ISSUES	Q1/18	Q2/18	Q3/18	Q4/18	Q1/19	Q2/19	Q3/19
Client Obligation	8	2	6	7	2	1	2
Estate Recovery	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
HCBS Eligibility issues	5	3	6	3	4	2	1
HCBS General Issues	4	5	15	10	12	8	4
HCBS Reduction in hours of service	0	0	1	0	3	0	0
HCBS Waiting List	0	1	1	1	2	0	2
Nursing Facility Issues	0	3	3	3	2	0	3
HCBS/LTSS ISSUES TOTAL	17	14	32	24	25	11	12

OTHER ISSUES	Q1/18	Q2/18	Q3/18	Q4/18	Q1/19	Q2/19	Q3/19
Abuse / neglect complaints	0	3	0	0	0	0	0
ADA Concerns	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Adoption issues	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Affordable Care Act Calls	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Community Resources needed	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Domestic Violence concerns	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Foster Care issues	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Guardianship	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Homelessness	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Housing Issues	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
Medicare related Issues	0	0	1	1	2	0	0
Social Security Issues	0	1	0	1	0	0	1
Used Interpreter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
X-Other	9	3	4	9	11	7	2
Z Thank you	46	40	42	47	49	29	22
Z Unspecified	1	0	1	1	2	1	2
Health Homes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
OTHER ISSUES TOTAL	57	47	49	59	64	38	27

## F. UnitedHealthcare-Program Type

PROGRAM TYPE	Q1/18	Q2/18	Q3/18	Q4/18	Q1/19	Q2/19	Q3/19
PD	7	5	3	9	10	5	2
I/DD	2	3	7	1	6	10	1
FE	4	2	4	3	4	3	3
AUTISM	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
SED	1	0	4	1	2	1	0
TBI	1	1	3	0	2	0	1
TA	0	1	0	2	0	1	0
WH	2	1	1	0	0	0	0
MFP	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PACE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MENTAL HEALTH	0	0	0	2	0	1	0
SUB USE DIS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NURSING FACILITY	3	3	2	4	2	1	2
FOSTER CARE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MEDIKAN	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
INSTITUTIONAL TRANSITION FROM LTC/NF	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
INSTITUTIONAL TRANSITION FROM MH/BH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
INSTITUTIONAL TRANSITION FROM PRISON/JAIL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PROGRAM TYPE TOTAL	20	16	24	22	27	22	10